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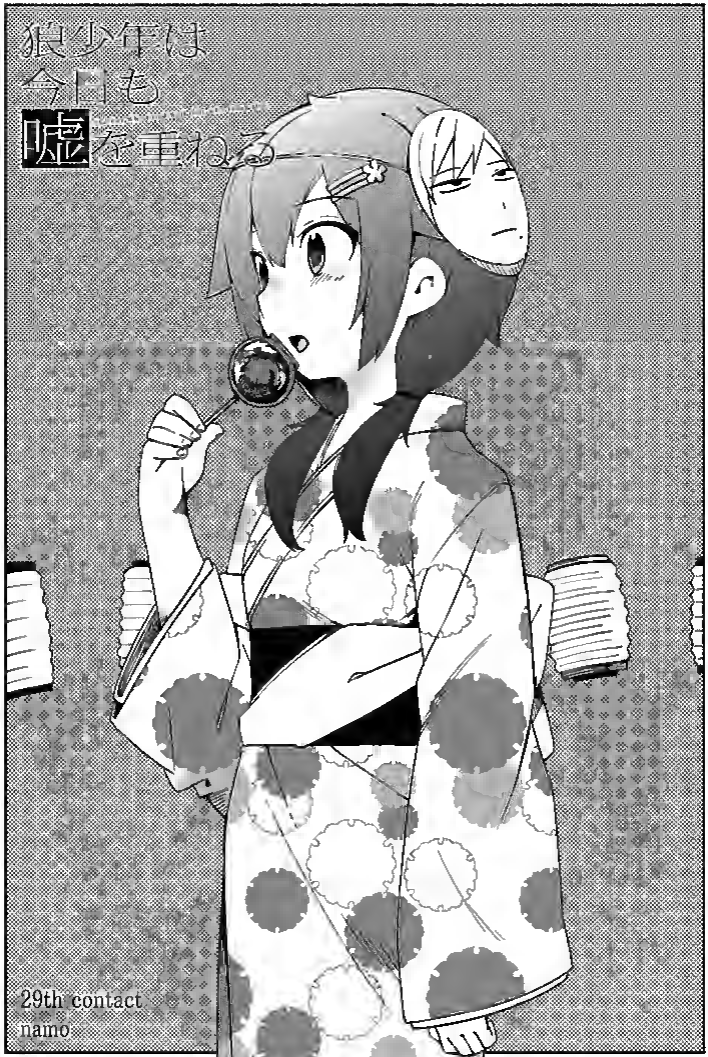
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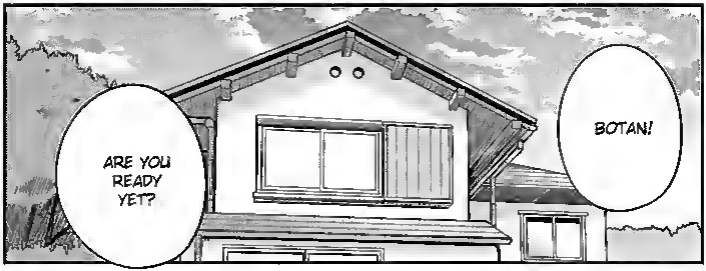
BOTAN!
ARE YOU READY YET?

SORRY!
I'LL BE RIGHT DOWN!

IT'S ALREADY 5!
THE FIREWORKS ARE GONNA START IN TWO HOURS!

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ARE THEY STILL TOGETHER?
IT'S GETTING LATE, SO DID THEY ALREADY GO HOME..?
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WHAT THEY'RE DOING RIGHT NOW.
...I WONDER
THEY'RE NOT GONNA BE...
AT THE FESTIVAL, RIGHT?
AH-CHAN'S BAD WITH CROWDED PLACES, AFTER ALL
IF I HAPPEN TO RUN INTO THEM AT THE FESTIVAL,
Say ahhh!
WHAT AM I GONNA DO IF I SEE THEM ACTING ALL LOVEY-DOVEY...!?
IT WOULD HURT...
...BUT IF THAT'S WHAT HAPPENS, I'LL HAVE TO SUPPORT THEM.
BUT...
BUT IF SENPAI GOES TO THE FESTIVAL BY HIMSELF,

IF HE SAW ME?
WOULD HE TELL ME I LOOK CUTE
AH, YEAH!
BOTAN? ARE YOU READY?
COMING!
BUT EVEN SO,
SENPAI PROBABLY WON'T BE AT THE FESTIVAL,

I THINK I'LL END UP LOOKING FOR ITSUKI-SENPAI IN THE CROWD.
PROBABLY... NO, I'M SURE OF IT
THAT'S HOW I FEEL RIGHT NOW.
HERE, TOKUJIRA-SAN
Rattle
IS RAMUNE OKAY?
IT'S BEEN A LITTLE DREAM OF MINE TO DRINK RAMUNE AT A FESTIVAL
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YEAH, IT REALLY PUTS YOU IN THE MOOD FOR IT
YEAH, THANKS.
HAVE YOU CALMED DOWN?
YES.
IT'S STARTING TO GET DARK
I CAN'T WAIT FOR THE FIREWORKS.

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SO...
WHAT DID YOU WANT TO TELL ME?
...IT
IT HAS TO DO WITH WHY
I'M AFRAID OF GUYS

I DON'T THINK YOU'LL ENJOY HEARING IT,
AND YOU MAY END UP AT A LOSS FOR WORDS,
BUT I STILL WANT YOU TO HEAR IT.
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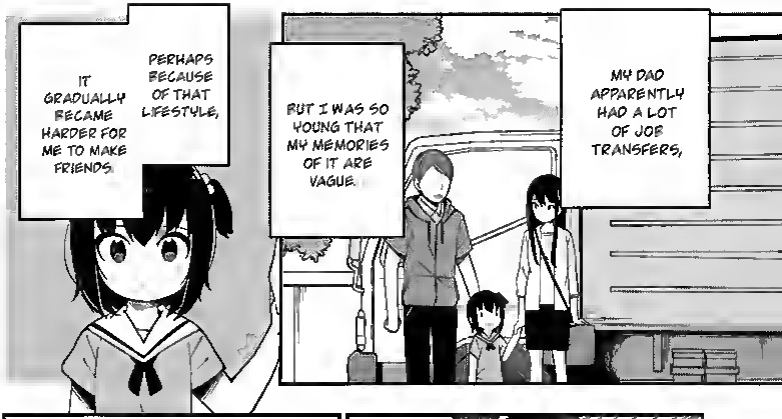
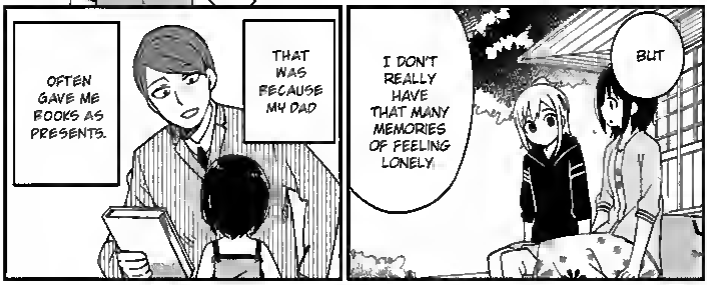
OKAY...
WHERE SHOULD I START FROM...?
I SUPPOSE IT STARTED EVEN BEFORE I MOVED TO THIS TOWN...


MY DAD APPARENTLY HAD A LOT OF JOB TRANSFERS,
BUT I WAS SO YOUNG THAT MY MEMORIES OF IT ARE VAGUE.
PERHAPS BECAUSE OF THAT LIFESTYLE,
IT GRADUALLY BECAME HARDER FOR ME TO MAKE FRIENDS.


BUT
I DON'T REALLY HAVE THAT MANY MEMORIES OF FEELING LONELY.
THAT WAS BECAUSE MY DAD
OFTEN GAVE ME BOOKS AS PRESENTS.

BACK THEN, I DIDN'T ESPECIALLY LOVE BOOKS,
BUT I LIKED HUGGING THE BOOKS DAD GAVE ME.
WE MOVED TO THIS TOWN WHEN I WAS IN KINDER-GARTEN.
I REMEMBER DAD SAYING
THAT WE WOULDN'T BE MOVING AROUND ANYMORE

CAN I... EVEN MAKE FRIENDS?
OF COURSE YOU CAN!
NOW YOU WON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT MAKING FRIENDS, AO!
I KNOW ALL TOO WELL
JUST HOW CUTE YOU ARE, AFTER ALL.
YEAH ..
JUST AS DAD SAID,
I MET ROTAN WHO LIVED IN THE SAME NEIGHBORHOOD SOON AFTER,
AND THEN BY THE TIME I STARTED GRADE SCHOOL

DO YOU LIKE BOOKS?

AH, AND THAT'S BETTY POPPER!
THAT'S REALLY POPULAR RIGHT NOW!

UMM... YES.
REALLY? I LIKE THEM, TOO!
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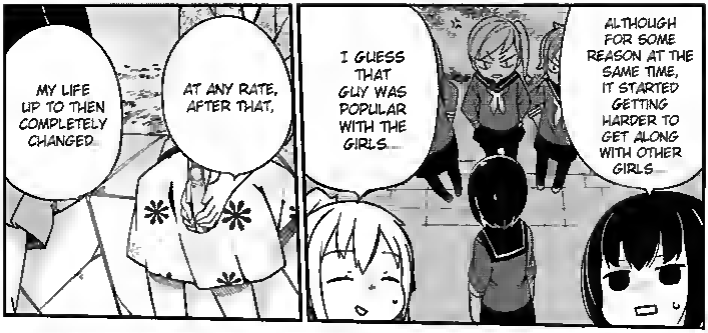
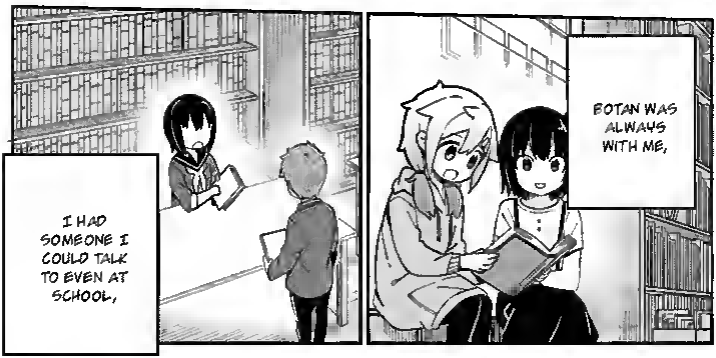
BUT I FOUND SOMEONE WHO I COULD TALK TO
I STILL DON'T KNOW IF HE JUST FELT SORRY FOR ME OR IF WE REALLY HAD THE SAME HOBBY,
That was a surprise.

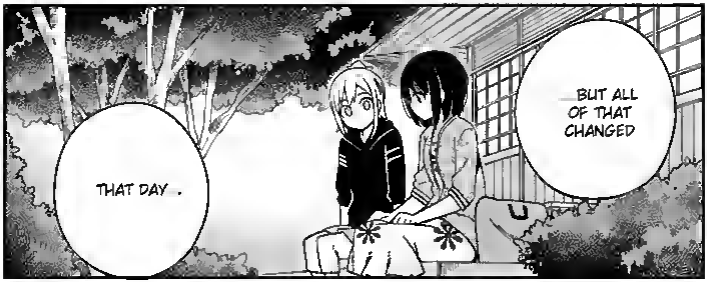
I DON'T MIND IF IT'S WHEN YOU'RE DONE WITH IT,
BUT LET ME BORROW IT LATER!

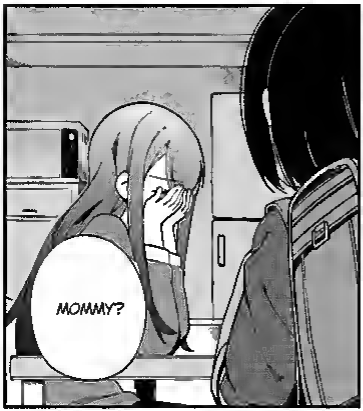
...OKAY.


MY LIFE UP TO THEN COMPLETELY CHANGED...
AT ANY RATE, AFTER THAT,
I GUESS THAT GUY WAS POPULAR WITH THE GIRLS...
ALTHOUGH FOR SOME REASON AT THE SAME TIME, IT STARTED GETTING HARDER TO GET ALONG WITH OTHER GIRLS...


I HAD SOMEONE I COULD TALK TO EVEN AT SCHOOL,
BOTAN WAS ALWAYS WITH ME,

I THINK... THAT I WAS HAPPY BACK THEN.
MY MOM AND DAD WERE THERE
AND WHEN I CAME HOME,


THAT DAY .
BUT ALL OF THAT CHANGED

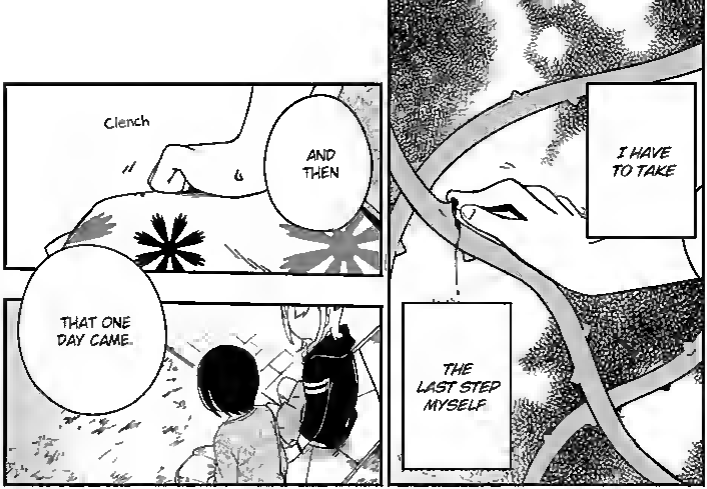

MOMMY?

ALL MOM SAID WAS THAT DAD FOUND SOMEONE ELSE HE LIKES,
AND THEN ALL SHE DID WAS CRY.
AOI ..

AFTER A FEW MONTHS, MOM HAD FULL CUSTODY OF ME AND OUR HOUSE,
AND DAD NEVER CAME BACK HOME DURING THAT TIME
TO BE HONEST, I COULDN'T REALLY UNDERSTAND
WHY DAD WASN'T AT HOME,
NOR THAT HE HAD BETRAYED MOM AND ME.
I STILL KEPT HUGGING A BOOK DAD HAD GIVEN ME, AFTER ALL.

HEY, TOKUJIRA-SAN
...AH!
I OFTEN SEE YOU HUGGING THAT BOOK, BUT IS IT INTERESTING?
LET ME BORROW IT LATER
IT'S INTERESTING,
BUT THIS BOOK IS IMPORTANT TO ME...
I SEE... IN THAT CASE,
LET ME BORROW IT IF YOU FEEL LIKE IT
I LIKE ALL OF THE BOOKS YOU LET ME BORROW BECAUSE THEY'RE SO INTERESTING
...IF YOU'RE FINE WITH WAITING UNTIL I FEEL LIKE IT
ARE YOU SURE?

YOU HORNDOG!
ARE YOU GOING OUT WITH THAT BOOKWORM!?
WHA!? IT'S NOT LIKE THAT!
AH, OKAY!
HEEEY! LET'S GO PLAY SOCCER!
ITSUKI-SAN AND BOTAN
CLEARED AWAY THE THORNS AROUND ME,
TOKUJIRA-SAN?
...I'M OKAY.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AND THEN
THAT ONE DAY CAME.
I HAVE TO TAKE
THE LAST STEP MYSELF.

DY...
DAD...
KYA!
...COME WITH ME.

WHEN I WAS GOING TO SCHOOL LIKE ALWAYS.
AOI.

D-DADDY! WHY DO YOU LOOK LIKE THAT!?
YOU'RE GONNA LIVE WITH ME.
WHY DID YOU HAVE A FIGHT WITH MOMMY!?
YOU'RE GONNA LIVE WITH ME.
NOTHING ELSE MATTERS. YOU'RE GONNA...
LET ME GO!!!
EVEN YOU..
ARE GOING TO REJECT ME...?

YOU'RE NOT GONNA LISTEN TO ME EITHER, AOI!?
JUST LIKE THAT WOMAN,
AH!

NO!
N-
I'M...!

SO ACTING NICE..
WAS ALL JUST A LIE...?

AOI!!!

LIAR!
LIAR!
LIAR!

AND THEN DURING LUNCH THAT DAY...

I... DON'T CARE ANYMORE...
AH, TOKUJIRA-SAN
WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR CHEEK?
.....
ARE YOU ASKING HER OUT!!?
UM
HERE
IT'S THE BOOK YOU SAID
YOU WANTED TO BORROW

UMM... WHAT ABOUT THE BOOK...?
N-NO, I'M NOT!!
SO THEN YOU REALLY ARE GOING OUT WITH THAT BOOKWORM!
I DON'T NEED SOMETHING STUPID LIKE THAT!
AND YOU SAID
THAT THE BOOKS YOU BORROWED FROM ME WERE INTERESTING...
W-WHY NOT? YOU ASKED IF YOU COULD BORROW IT..
WHAT ARE YOU DOING BELIEVING THAT, STUPID!?
A-ALL OF THAT WAS JUST A LIE OF COURSE!

COME ON, LET'S GO!
BUMP

WHAT A LET DOWN...
OH, SO YOU'RE NOT GOING OUT?

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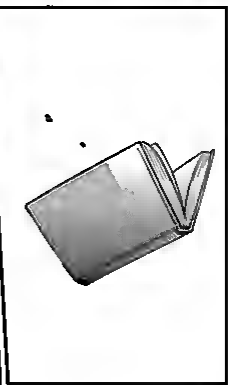

IS THE NUMBNESS IN MY RIGHT HAND AND LEFT CHEEK,
WHAT I REMEMBER FROM THAT TIME
I LIKE ALL OF THE BOOKS YOU LET ME ...UH... BECAUSE THEY'RE SO INTERESTING.
WHY DOES EVERYONE LIE ..?
WHY...
BECAUSE YOU'RE CUTE, AOI.
AND THAT THAT'S WHAT I WAS THINKING.
AHHH...
I GET IT.
THAT'S JUST WHAT GUYS ARE LIKE.

SO
TOKUJIRA-SAN,
ABOUT THE OTHER DAY...
WHEN HE CAME TO APOLOGIZE TO ME A FEW DAYS LATER...
I HATE
YOUR VERY BEING.
DON'T EVER TALK TO ME AGAIN.
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Urp!

I FEEL SICK.
I FEEL SICK.
WHY DID YOU LOOK AT ME LIKE THAT?
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO LIED, BETRAYED AND HURT ME

Uweh!
Ugh!
Urweh!

THAT'S THE GIST...
OF WHY I'M LIKE THIS...